

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Sylvie VAN DER WERF et al.) Group Art Unit: 1648
Application No.: 10/581,354) Examiner: Peng, Bo
Filed: April 12, 2007) Confirmation No.: 2044
For: USE OF PROTEINS AND)
PEPTIDES ENCODED BY THE)
GENOME OF A NOVEL SARS-)
ASSOCIATED CORONAVIRUS)
STRAIN)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2009, the period for response having been extended to November 12, 2009, by a request for extension of three months and fee payment filed concurrently, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper and begin on page 3.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendments section of this paper starting on page 9.

Attachments:

Declaration under 37 C.F.R § 1.131, including Exhibits 1-5.

Information Disclosure Statement.